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**STATUS INQUIRY**

A Request for Continued Examination and Response were filed on June 15, 2005.

However, since then Applicants have not received any Official Action from the Patent Office regarding the application. Inquiry is made as to when an Action will be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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